

**Chapter 10.84****BICYCLE REGULATIONS**

(22-8/09, 322-1/29, 344-10/31, 432-1/40, 554-12/49, 736-12/59, 1784-12/72, 1913-5/74, 1969-4/75, 2059-6/76, 2148-1/77, 2175-3/77, 2270-3/78, 3185-5/93, 3376-11/97, 3458-5/00, 3556-6/02, 3602-5/03)

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**10.84.005 Definitions.** For the purpose of this chapter, the following words and phrases are defined as follows:

- (a) "Bicycle lane" is that portion of a roadway, other than state and county highways, set aside by striping for the use of bicycle riders and so designated, as provided in this chapter.
- (b) "Bicycle path" is a pathway for bicycle riders that has been physically separated from a roadway.
- (c) "Bicycle" is a device upon which any person may ride, propelled exclusively by human power through a system of belts, chains, or gears, and having either two or three wheels in a tandem or tricycle arrangement.
- (d) "Highway" is a way or place of whatever nature, maintained and open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel. Highway includes street.

- (e) "Roadway" is that portion of a highway improved, designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.
- (f) "Chief of Police" shall include his designated representative. (1913-5/74, 1969-4/75, 2059-6/76, 2175-4/77)
- (g) "Motorized Scooter" shall have the same definition as that of California Vehicle Code §407.5(a). (3458-5/00)

**10.84.080 Dealer's records.** Every person engaged in the business of buying, trading, or selling bicycles in this city shall keep at his place of business a record of all bicycles, bought, sold or rented by him, giving the date of such transaction, the name and address of the person from whom purchased or traded, or to whom sold or rented, a description of such bicycle by name and make, and the frame or serial number. Such record shall be maintained in a plain, legible handwriting in a bound book, which record shall be available for inspection by members of the Police Department at all reasonable times. Such person shall make a written report to the Police Department, giving the name, address and telephone number of all persons buying, selling or trading bicycles at his place of business, and the bicycle manufacturer, type, and frame number. (432-1/40, 1784-12/72, 1969-4/75, 3602-5/03)

**10.84.120 Impounding--Parked bicycles.** No person shall park or leave a bicycle in the area between Pacific Coast Highway and the mean high tide line of the Pacific Ocean in a manner so as to block or impede any road, vehicle route, walkway or path, or so as to block or impede ingress or egress from any building, stair, pier or bridge. Any bicycle so parked or left may be impounded by the Community Services Department or by the Police Department, and may be held until the sum of five dollars (\$5) has been collected to defray the cost of impound. (1784-12/72, 1913-5/74)

**10.84.130 Impounding--Holding time period.** Any bicycle which has been so impounded and held for three (3) months without redemption by or on behalf of the lawful owner thereof shall, if saleable, be sold at such time and place and in such manner for the reasonable value thereof, as provided by this code. (1784-12/72, 1913-5/74, 3602-5/03)

**10.84.160 Riding on sidewalk.** No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within any business district, or upon the sidewalk adjacent to any public school building, church, recreation center, playground or over any pedestrian overcrossing, or within any crosswalk. (22-8/09, 322-1/29, 1784-12/72, 1913-5/74, 2270-3/78)

**10.84.170 Yielding right-of-way.** Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian, and when overtaking and passing a pedestrian shall give an audible signal. A person riding a bicycle off a sidewalk and onto a roadway shall yield to all traffic on the roadway. (22-8/09, 1913-5/74, 1784-12/72)

**10.84.180 Riding in group.** Persons operating bicycles on a bicycle lane or path shall not ride more than two (2) abreast. (1784-12/72, 1913-5/74)

**10.84.200 Bicycles on pier.** No person shall ride a bicycle or any similar type vehicle on the municipal pier. Bicycles or similar type vehicles may be walked or pushed on the pier. (344-10/31, 554-12/49, 1784-12/72, 1913-5/74, 3185-5/93)

**10.84.210 Bicycle lanes and paths established.** The City Council establishes those bicycle lanes and paths as designated on the Preliminary Plan; Trails Element to the Master Plan of the City of Huntington Beach, and as such Preliminary Plan; Trails Element to the Master Plan may be amended hereafter from time to time. (1784-12/72, 1913-5/74)

**10.84.220 Implementing establishment of bicycle lanes and paths.** The City Administrator is authorized, empowered and directed to implement the establishment of the bicycle lanes and paths, as designated on the Preliminary Plan; Trails Element to the Master Plan of the City of Huntington Beach, and as such Preliminary Plan; Trails Element to the Master Plan may be amended hereafter from time to time. (1913-5/74)

**10.84.230 Bicycle lanes--Markings and erection of signs.** The Traffic Engineer is authorized to erect or place signs upon any street or adjacent to any street in the city indicating the existence of a bicycle lane or path, and otherwise regulating the operation and use of vehicles and bicycles with respect thereto. When such signs are in place, no person shall disobey same.

The bicycle lane shall be designated on such street by a six (6) inch wide reflectorized white line. (1913-5/74, 2175-4/77)

**10.84.250 Direction of travel.** No person shall ride or operate a bicycle within a bicycle lane or path in any direction except that permitted vehicular traffic traveling on the same side of the roadway; provided that bicycles may proceed either way along a lane or path where arrows appear on the surface of the lane designating two-way traffic. (1913-5/74)

**10.84.260 Walking bicycles.** Bicycles may be walked subject to all provisions of law applicable to pedestrians. (1913-5/74)

**10.84.270 Vehicular traffic in bicycle lanes or paths.** No person shall park a motor vehicle across or on a bicycle path or lane except to obtain emergency parking where signs are posted prohibiting such parking. No person shall drive a motor vehicle across a bicycle lane except after giving the right-of-way to all bicycles operated within the lane. No motor vehicle, motorized bicycle, motor-driven cycle, or motorcycle may be operated on a bicycle path or sidewalk. (1913-5/74, 2059-6/76, 2148-1/77, 2175-4/77)

**10.84.275 Motorized Scooter.** For the purpose of this chapter, a motorized scooter shall be subject to each and every section that applies to bicycles. (3458-5/00)

**10.84.280 Penalty.** It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to violate or knowingly to permit any other person to violate any of the provisions contained in sections 10.84.160 through 10.84.270 of this chapter, and any person violating any of the provisions contained in such sections shall be guilty of an infraction and punished upon a first conviction by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50) and for a second or any subsequent conviction within a period of one year, by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100). (1913-5/74, 2059-6/76)